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SUBJ: ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR COMMENTS ON NPC, INDOCHINA, CEAUSESCU
VISIT

REF: 77 BUCHAREST 7710

1. DURING CALL ON ME JANUARY 28 ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR
GAVRILESCU STATED HE EXPECTED NATIONAL PEOPLE'S
CONGRESS WOULD BE HELD AROUND MID-FEBRUARY BUT WOULD NOT
RESULT IN ANY GREAT LEADERSHIP CHANGES. HE ALSO
COMMENTED ON FOLLOWING SUBJECTS.

2. INDOCHINA. WHILE NOTING THAT ROMANIA, WHICH IS
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REPRESENTED IN PHNOM PENH ONLY BY A CHARGE, HAD NO
REAL COMMUNICATION WITH CAMBODIAN GOVERNMENT, GAVRILESCU
STATED HIS OPINION THAT THERE WAS VIRTUALLY NO
POSSIBILITY OF THIRD-PARTY MEDIATION OF THE CAMBODIA-
VIETNAM CONFLICT. HE EXPECTED THE FIGHTING WOULD
CONTINUE TO FLARE UP NOW AND THEN FOR A WHILE, BUT
THAT EVENTUALLY THE TWO SIDES WOULD AGREE TO TALK

TO EACH OTHER. (COMMENT: GIVEN ROMANIA'S RELATIVELY
CLOSE TIES TO THE PRC, HIS REMARKS COULD REFLECT
PEKING'S CONCLUSION THAT ANY MEDIATION EFFORTS WOULD
BE DOOMED TO FAILURE.)

3. CEAUSESCU VISIT. GAVRILESCU STATED THAT
PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU PLANS VISITS TO BRITAIN, THE
US, AND CHINA THIS YEAR. THE LONDON TRIP HAS BEEN
SET, AND THE TIMING OF THE US VISIT IS NOW BEING
DISCUSSED. ONCE THESE ARE ARRANGED, CONCRETE PLANNING
WILL START ON THE PEKING VISIT. (COMMENT: A
ROMANIAN EMBOFF TOLD USLO OFFICER LAST WEEK THAT CEAUSESCU WOULD
COME TO CHINA BEFORE ANY HIGH-RANKING PRC LEADER VISITS BUCHAREST.)
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